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RELEASE COATING SYSTEM

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AMENDMENT

Sir:

In complete response to the Office Action mailed September 24, 2001, please amend the above-captioned application as follows.

IN THE CLAIMS

Clean copy of amended claims.

1. (Thrice Amended) A taste masked formulation which rapidly releases in the stomach of a patient comprising:

a drug-containing core;

a taste masking layer composed of a material which is generally insoluble in saliva at a neutral to basic pH and completely soluble in saliva at a pH of less than about 6.5; and

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